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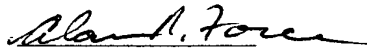
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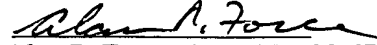
Dear Sir:

Please find a response to office action under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111 transmitted herewith for filing in the above-identified patent application.

Applicants hereby request a **two-month extension of time** for responding to the Office Action mailed January 10, 2006 for which a three-month response period, expiring on April 10, 2006, was set. The two month extended period for response expires on **June 12, 2006**. (Since the deadline for filing a response is June 10, 2006, which falls on a Saturday, the Response is considered timely filed on the following Monday, June 12, 2006, which is the next business day that is not a Saturday, Sunday, or a Federal Holiday). Please charge the 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) two-month extension fee of **\$450.00** and any additional fees that may be required, or credit any overpayment to the deposit account of Kenyon & Kenyon LLP, deposit account number **11-0600** . A duplicate of this Transmittal is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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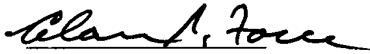
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RESPONSE

In response to the Office Action dated January 10, 2006, Applicants respectfully request entry of the following comments into the file of the above-identified application.

A listing of claims begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.

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